

the said plates to be selected by him, and the selection to be approved by a Committee to be appointed by the President of this Society.

The Committee on the Michaux legacy presented a report, accompanied by the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the sum of \$280 be expended under the supervision of the Michaux Committee to enable Dr. J. T. Rothrock to secure a collection of photographic plates of the unique flora of Florida, which may be used as lantern slides to illustrate the course of lectures to be delivered this year in the Park under the auspices of the Society.

And the meeting was adjourned by the presiding member.

Stated Meeting, February 4, 1887.

Present, 12 members.

Vice-President, Dr. RUSCHENBERGER, in the Chair.

Correspondence was read as follows :

Letters of envoy from the Mining Department, Melbourne, Australia; La Société de Borda, Dax, France; The U. S. Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.

La Société Liégeoise de Littérature Wallone, Liege, and La Société des Antiquaries de la Morinie, St. Omer, France, were placed on the exchange list to receive Proceedings from No. 119; K. Meteorologisches Institut, Berlin, Preussen; Physikalische-Medicinische Societät zu Erlangen.

Letters of acknowledgment were read for No. 123 from J. Steenstrup (Copenhagen); Het Bataafsch Genootschap der Proefondervindelijke Wijsbegeerte, Rotterdam; La Société Royale de Zoologie de Amsterdam; Musée Teyler, Harlem; Victoria Institute, London; Cambridge Philosophical Society; for No. 124 from Museum Comp. Zoölogy, Cambridge, Mass.; Mr. L. A. Scott, Philadelphia; Prof. J. H. C. Coffin, the U. S. Geological Survey, and the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.; Prof. Serge Nikitin, St. Petersburg, 121.

A letter was read from the College of Physicians thanking the Society for the loan of portraits at the late Centennial Celebration of the College.

A letter was read from G. Eichler, in Berlin, in reference to his reproductions from the antique.

Also one from the Buffalo Library inviting the Society to the opening of its new Building, on February 7th, 1887.

Accessions to the Library were received from the Department of Mines, Melbourne; K. K. Geologische Reichsanstalt, Wien; Gartenbauverein zu Darmstadt; Naturwissenschaftliche Gesellschaft "Isis," Dresden; Verein für Thüringische Geschichte, Jena; Astronomische Nachrichten, Kiel; K. Sächsische Gesellschaft der Wissenschaften, Zoologischer Anzeiger, Leipzig; Deutsche Gesellschaft für Anthropologie, Ethnologie und Urgeschichte, München; Prof. E. Renevier, Lausanne; Nordisk Oldkyndighed og Historie, Copenhagen; Biblioteca N. Centrale, Vittorio Emanuele, di Roma; Biblioteca N. Centrale di Firenze; Académie des Sciences, Arts and Belles-Lettres de Caen; Société de Borda, Dax; Sociétés de Géographie, de L'Enseignement, D'Anthropologie, D'Ethnographie, and Société Américain de France, Paris; Société des Antiquaires de la Morinie, St. Omer; Royal Society, Society of Arts, Meteorological Office, "Nature," London; Cambridge (Eng.) Philosophical Society; Boston Society of Natural History; Essex Institute, Salem; American Oriental Society, Cambridge; Publishers of "The Travelers' Record," Hartford; American Journal of Science, New Haven; New York Meteorological Observatory; Mr. Wm. John Potts, Camden; Prof. George H. Cook, New Brunswick; Franklin Institute, Pharmaceutical Association, Mercantile and Philadelphia Libraries, Dr. D. Jayne & Son, Henry Phillips, Jr., Philadelphia; Wyoming Historical and Geological Society, Wilkes-Barre; Johns Hopkins University, Prof. Ira Remsen, Baltimore; the Philosophical Society, the U. S. Geological Survey, and John H. Hickey, Washington, D. C.; Mr. Charles C. Jones, Jr., Augusta, Ga.; the State Historical Society, Iowa City, Iowa; the Imperial Observatory of Rio de Janeiro.

A communication entitled "An Egyptian Ecclesiastes," by Dr. George Selikovitch, was read by the Secretaries; also one by Dr. Earl Flint, of Rivas, Nicaragua, "On the fossil human foot-prints lately discovered in the *tufa* of Nicaragua." Also one by S. N. Clevenger, of Chicago, entitled "Suggestions concerning the nature of comets."

Dr. Persifor Frazer mentioned the occurrence of a crystallized garnet in a garnet schist in a specimen brought from the Stikine river and presented to him, stating that the matrix was similar to that in which garnet was found near this city.

Pending nominations Nos. 1151, 1152, 1153, and new nominations Nos. 1154, 1155, 1156 were read.

The President reported that according to the request of the Society at its last meeting he had appointed the following to serve as the Standing Committees of the Society for the year 1887:

Finance,

Henry Winsor, J. Price Wetherill, William B. Rogers.

Publication,

Daniel G. Brinton, George H. Horn, Persifor Frazer,
J. Blodgett Britton, J. Cheston Morris.

Hall,

J. Sergeant Price, William A. Ingham, Harrison Allen.

Library,

Edwin J. Houston, William V. McKean, Thomas H. Dudley,
Francis Jordan, Jr., Edwin A. Barber.

The President reported that he had received and paid over to the Treasurer the sum of \$132.12, being the amount of interest on the Michaux Legacy, due January, 1887.

On motion the Library Committee was requested to examine into the desirability of a subscription by the Society to the International Geological Map of Europe; and the Society was adjourned by the presiding officer.